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Date: October 18, 2004

RE: OFFICE ACTION SUMMARY
Patent Application No.: 10/613,920
Title: Body Board Handles
Art Unit: 3617

Dear Sherman,

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. As per our phone conversations, I believe my invention is significantly different and unique from the other patents/ pending patents cited and have amended my application to reflect and highlight its uniqueness.

Distinctly different, I believe, from the prior patents, is that the prior patents;

- 1) Are specifically for **boards** (not handles).
- 2) Are specifically for **boards of many types**, for snow boarding, skiing, etc. which may or may not include handles or holding devices;
- 3) Are intended to be permanently attached (in example Lehr Claim 18 & 19, and Detailed Description paragraphs 0022 & 0026 using "snap rivets" to "prevent" the handles from being removed).

The handles subject of my application are specific for bodyboarding. Also, and more importantly, is that these handles are NOT intended to be permanently attached to the board. Conversely, they are intended to be an accessory or attachment, designed in a way which enables them to be easily added or removed from any commercial bodyboard using the industry standard leash anchors/connectors which are already patented by other individuals and which are widely used today in the sports world of surfing and bodyboarding. It is not my intent to patent the attaching device, only the handles.

To clarify my patent application, I am respectfully submitting the enclosed request for amendments.

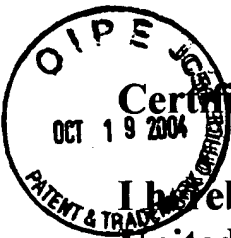
I appreciate all your efforts. Thank you! Please contact me if you need further information.

Best regards,

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- 1) Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) with check for \$55.00
- 2) Change of Correspondence Address
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